



## Hwy 36: Update from OHA

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Hi All,

Just wanted to provide an update before I head out of town for the next 2 weeks. I'll be returning to the office on Monday, August 15th. In my absence you can connect with Julie Early-Alberts (971.673.0438) or Gail Shibley (971.673.0403) if you have an urgent need or question related to the project.

### Recruitment

- We are still working on honing in on a geographic area for the investigation. Right now, we are working to draw some boundaries around clusters of 1-mile buffer zones for 2011/2010 clearcut units.
- We have about 32 people who have expressed interest in volunteering. We plan to start calling these people next week (if they fall within our boundaries), but need EPA's sampling dates when we make the calls.
- We are brainstorming other recruitment strategies that will get the word out, but also respect people's confidentiality.

### Sample collection

- ATSDR and OHA staff will collect urine samples during the week of 8/29-9/2. This is a firm date. We plan on being in the field for 2-3 days. EPA is checking on their sampling teams' availability.

### Analysis

- Dave Farrer is coordinating with EPA, ODA and DEQ lab and technical staff to firm up lab resource details and develop a final analyte list for environmental samples.
- Dave Farrer is also working to develop a table with all analytes in all media and their health-based threshold values and lab reporting limits. The plan is to distribute this table to the community before we start getting analysis results for transparency. Dave Elizabeth Allen and PARC consultants at OSU will also have a chance to review this table before it is distributed to the community.

### Communication and outreach

- Website is up. Go to [www.healthoregon.org/ehap](http://www.healthoregon.org/ehap) and click on "Get more information on the exposure investigation"
- Developing recruitment questionnaire for next week's phone calls
- Karen & Kay Morrison are working on including interested community members into the effort.
- Will be providing a community update to the listserv on Friday 7.29

### Interagency Communication

- Dale is going to be sending out a message to schedule an interagency call for 3-4:30 p.m. on August 15th. This will be a check-in on all areas listed above and any others that may be needed.

Thanks all,  
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